

AN ACT

relating to the authority of the Texas Military Department to purchase food and beverages.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 437, Government Code, is amended by amending Section 437.118 and adding Section 437.119 to read as follows:

Sec. 437.118. MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION ~~[USE]~~ OF ~~[FUNDS TO SUPPORT]~~ MILITARY HOUSING ~~[AND TRAINING]~~. ~~[(a) The department may use appropriated money to purchase food and beverages for charged military housing and training functions required of the Texas military forces.]~~

~~[(b)]~~ The department shall maintain and operate charged military housing in accordance with policies and regulations adopted by the adjutant general and published on the department's Internet website. The department shall deposit room fees in a billeting account.

Sec. 437.119. USE OF FUNDS TO PURCHASE FOOD AND BEVERAGES.
The department may use appropriated money to purchase food and beverages for:

- (1) charged military housing;
- (2) service members of the Texas military forces on military duty, including required training functions; and
- (3) students participating in the Texas Challenge

1 Academy.

2 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1606 was passed by the House on March 30, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 141, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1606 was passed by the Senate on May 18, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor